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SOURCE

1. The military airfield east of Kurn (O 51/F 94) and east of the Kurn-Limon (O 51/F 95) road\* had a northern entrance along the road, which was used by the parachute troops, and a southern entrance for the air force soldiers. Concretion at the field was completed by late July 1951. A large hangar was located in the eastern section of the field. In the southern field section there were five officers' houses, a pilots dining room, several low wooden buildings occupied by pilots, a flight control building with a radio station, an officers' dining room and offices. Low wooden barracks for the parachutists, a mess hall, the parachute jump school and a reenforced concrete parachute tower 100 to 120 meters high were located in the northern section of the field.

- 25X1 2. the field was occupied by about 1,200 airmen and about 300 parachutists. Source observed 8 Dakota planes, 15 Fieseler Storchs, and 2 jet aircraft. The presence of jet planes was confirmed by Staff Captain Kubat. Some of the planes had the Czech national emblem and the designation F Ohl on the undersides of their wings. The planes usually took off about 4 a. m. and returned to the field in the evening. 25X1

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25X1 Comment. The present report in connection with previous information indicates that Kurn airfield is occupied by a parachute school and a unit of the Czech Air Force whose organization and mission has not been reported. However, it is believed that the main mission of the unit is to train **parachutists**. The presence of jet aircraft is considered possible since the field has a very long runway. Previous reports disagree regarding the location of the buildings and hangar. However, it is believed for certain that the parachute school is located in the northern section of the field. The height of the parachute tower may be overestimated. The officers' names are reported for the first time.

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